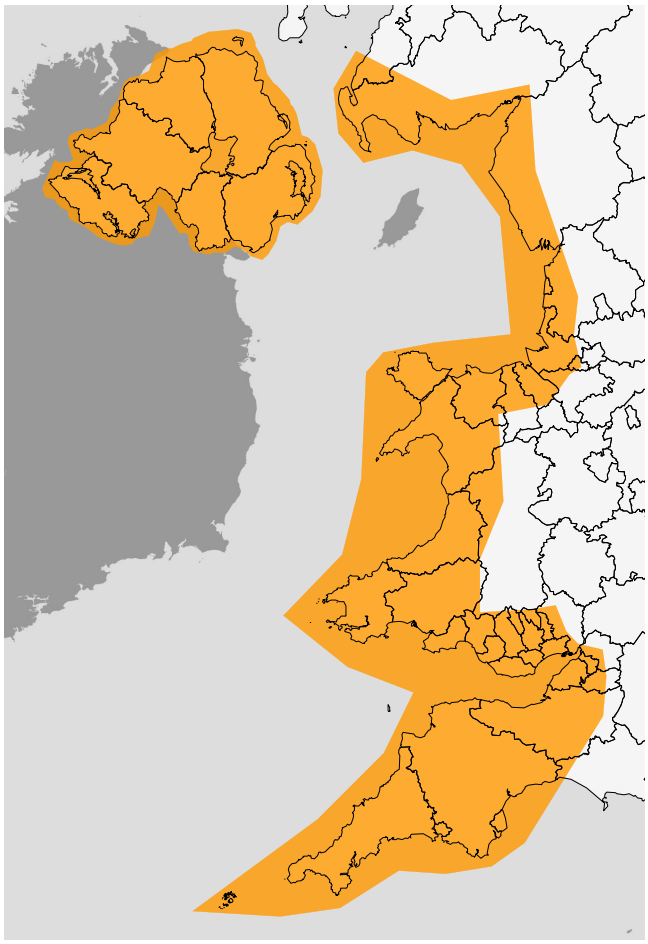
Amber warning
Wind

Between
01:00 Sat 7 Dec 2024 and
21:00 Sat 7 Dec 2024



Potentially damaging winds associated with Storm Darragh

What to expect

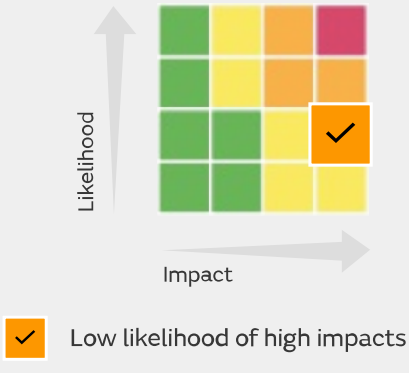
- Flying debris and falling trees could result in a danger to life
- Damage to buildings and homes is possible, with roofs blown off and power lines brought down
- Roads, bridges and railway lines may close, with delays and cancellations to bus, train, ferry services and flights
- Power cuts could occur and affect other services, such as mobile phone coverage
- There is potential for large waves and beach material being thrown onto sea fronts, coastal roads and properties

Further details

A period of very strong northerly or northwesterly winds is likely to develop during Saturday as Storm Darragh moves from west to east. Gusts of 70 to 80 mph are likely around exposed coasts and headlands, where some very large waves are likely, whilst gusts of 60 to 70 mph are likely inland. The strongest winds will ease from the west through the afternoon.

A Yellow warning for wind remains in effect until 0600 on Sunday morning.

What should I do?



Low likelihood of high impacts

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Further Details (continued)

Prepare to protect your property and people from injury. Check for loose items outside your home and plan how you could secure them. Items include; bins, garden furniture, trampolines, tents, sheds, and fences.

Windy weather can cause delays and make travel conditions dangerous. Follow these few simple steps to prepare before journeys. Check bus and train timetables, amending your travel plans if necessary. If driving, check road conditions and ensure you have essentials in your car (warm clothing, food, water, a blanket, a torch, an in-car phone charger).

People cope better with power cuts when they have prepared for them in advance. It's easy to do; consider gathering torches and batteries, a mobile phone power pack and other essential items.

If you are on the coast, stay safe during stormy weather by being aware of large waves, even from the shore large breaking waves can sweep you off your feet and out to sea. Take care if walking near cliffs; know your route and keep dogs on a lead. In an emergency, call 999 and ask for the Coastguard.

Be prepared for weather warnings to change quickly: when a weather warning is issued, the Met Office recommends staying up to date with the weather forecast in your area.

Reason for update

Impact level has been changed to a low likelihood of high impacts, with the start time brought forward to 0100 on Saturday. The area has been extended further east into more of south Wales, southwest England and northwest England.

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All regions & authorities affected

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Blackpool Cheshire West and Chester Cumbria Halton Lancashire Merseyside

Northern Ireland

County Antrim County Armagh County Down County Fermanagh County Londonderry County Tyrone

SW Scotland, Lothian Borders

Dumfries and Galloway

South West England

Bath and North East Somerset Bristol Cornwall Devon Dorset Isles of Scilly North Somerset Plymouth Somerset South Gloucestershire Torbay

Strathclyde

South Ayrshire

Wales

Blaenau Gwent Bridgend Caerphilly Cardiff Carmarthenshire Ceredigion Conwy Denbighshire Flintshire Gwynedd Isle of Anglesey Merthyr Tydfil Monmouthshire Neath Port Talbot Newport Pembrokeshire Powys Rhondda Cynon Taf Swansea Torfaen Vale of Glamorgan Wrexham

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